



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
"Creating Community Through People, Parks and Programs"

Russ Guiney, Director

May 17, 2006

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
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Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

FISCAL YEAR 2006-07 UNMET NEEDS

The Department of Parks and Recreation submits to your Board for consideration, its critical unmet needs for Fiscal Year 2006-07, including:

- Landscape Maintenance Contracts
 - \$2,072,000 in funding to offset increases in the cost of its 32 landscape maintenance contracts.
- Information Technology Staff
 - \$839,000 in funding to expand technical support for information systems and computer clubs throughout the Department.
- Human Resources – Records and Recruitment, and Training
 - \$446,000 in funding to provide additional staff to facilitate the recruitment and retention of departmental staff.
- Park District Manager Plan
 - \$786,000 in funding to reorganize its community services agency to form park districts to better serve the unincorporated areas.
- Youth Enhancing Parks Project
 - \$375,000 in funding to provide youth age 17 to 24 with summer employment opportunities and training.
- Department-wide Specialty Items
 - Trails Management
 - \$345,000 in one-time funding and \$95,000 in ongoing funding to support trails operations including, overseeing and/or coordinating trails planning, design, development and mapping, and to ensure all property easements are recorded.

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- Historical and Cultural Archiving
 - \$200,000 in one-time funding and \$94,000 in ongoing funding to track and maintain records of historically and culturally significant facilities and objects.
- Regional Facilities Construction
 - \$85,000 in one-time funding and \$138,000 in ongoing funding to provide a Locksmith and an additional Electrician to service the regional parks throughout the County.
- Enhanced Park Services
 - \$17,000,000 in one-time and ongoing funding to provide various staff, programs, supplies and equipment to implement the remainder of the Enhancing Park Services plan.

Thank you for your attention to these unmet needs. If you have any questions, please contact me at (213) 738-2951, or your staff may contact my Administrative Deputy, Lyn Wallensak at (213) 368-5823.

Sincerely,



Russ Guiney
Director

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